

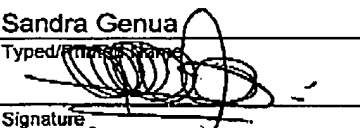


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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on 03/29/2006 for the above-identified patent application, please consider the following amendments and/or remarks.

Amendments to the **Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the **Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.